

State Water Resources Control Board

Division of Drinking Water

August 16, 2017
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River Ranch Camp
P.O. Box 970
Yuba City, CA 95992

Attention: Jesus Acosta, Manager

Subject: Public Water System No. 5105007 – Citation No. 21-17C-029 for Failure to Collect Repeat Bacteriological Samples.


It has come to our attention that the River Ranch Camp water system failed to collect the required four repeat bacteriological samples following a positive routine sample in the distribution system. Consequently, the Division of Drinking Water has issued the enclosed Citation for Noncompliance (Citation) with Title 22 California Code of Regulations, Section 64424.

Please review the enclosed Citation and note directives for corrective action and public notification.

Any person who is aggrieved by an order or decision issued by the Division, may file a petition with the State Water Board for reconsideration of the order or decision. Petitions must be received by the State Board within 30 days of the issuance of the order or decision. The date of issuance is the date when the Division mails a copy of the order or decision. If the 30th day falls on a Saturday, Sunday, or state holiday, the petition is due the following business day. Petitions must be received by 5:00 p.m. See attached Applicable Authorities for relevant statutory provisions for filing a petition.

For more Information regarding filing petitions, visit the following website:
http://www.waterboards.ca.gov/drinking_water/programs/petitions/index.shtml

If you have any questions please call Paul Rowe at (530) 224-4866 or contact me directly at (530) 224-4861.


Reese B. Crenshaw, P.E.
Valley District Engineer
DRINKING WATER FIELD
OPERATIONS BRANCH

Enclosures

1 **Citation No. 21-17C-029**

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3 **STATE OF CALIFORNIA**
4 **WATER RESOURCES CONTROL BOARD**
5 **DIVISION OF DRINKING WATER**
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7 **Public Water System:** River Ranch Camp

8 **Water System No.:** 5105007
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10 **To:** River Ranch Camp
11 Attn: Jesus Acosta, Manager
12 P.O. Box 970
13 Yuba City, CA 95992
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15 **Issued:** August 16, 2017
16 VIA CERTIFIED MAIL
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18 **CITATION FOR NONCOMPLIANCE**
19 **With Title 22, California Code of Regulations**
20 **Section 64424**
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22 Section 116650 of the California Health and Safety Code (CHSC) authorizes the
23 issuance of a citation for failure to comply with a requirement of the California Safe
24 Drinking Water Act (CHSC, Division 104, Part 12, Chapter 4, commencing with
25 Section 116270), or any regulation, standard, permit, or order issued thereunder.
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1 The State Water Resources Control Board (hereinafter "Board"), acting by and
2 through its Division of Drinking Water (hereinafter "Division") and the Deputy Director
3 for the Division, hereby issues a citation to the River Ranch Camp water system for
4 failure to comply with Section 64423(a), Title 22, of the California Code of Regulations
5 (CCR).

7 **APPLICABLE AUTHORITIES**

8 See Attachment A for Applicable Authorities
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10 **STATEMENT OF FACTS**

11 The River Ranch Camp W.S. (hereinafter "System") is classified as a transient non-
12 community water system and is required to collect one routine bacteriological water
13 sample each month. In the event that a routine bacteriological sample is positive for
14 total coliform, the System is required to collect four repeat samples. On July 18, 2017,
15 the System collected a routine bacteriological sample that indicated the presence of
16 total coliform bacteria. As of the date of this citation, the System has not collected
17 repeat bacteriological samples.
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19 **DETERMINATION**

20 The Division has determined that the System violated Section 64424(a)(1), Title 22, of
21 the CCR, in that the System did not collect four repeat samples following a positive
22 total coliform routine sample in July of 2017.
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24 **DIRECTIVES**

25 The System is directed to take the following actions:
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- 1 1. **Within 30 days** of the issuance of this Citation, provide public notification in
2 accordance with **Attachment B**, to all persons served by the System of the
3 violations noted above; as required by Section 64463.4(c) and Section 64465,
4 Title 22, of the CCR. Notification shall be completed in accordance with each of
5 the following:
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7 a. Mail or direct delivery to each customer.
8 b. Notification by one or more methods for customers not reached by mail
9 or direct delivery (**see Attachment B**).
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11 2. Changes and/or modifications to **Attachment B** shall be not be made unless
12 approved by the Division.
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14 3. Complete and return **Attachment C**, "Certification of Completion of Public
15 Notification" form **within 10 days** of giving public notice. A copy of the notice
16 used to provide public notification shall be attached to the form.
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18 4. Collect and report five (5) routine bacteriological samples in the distribution
19 system in the month of **August 2017**.
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21 The Division reserves the right to make such modifications to this Citation as it may
22 deem necessary to protect public health and safety. Such modifications may be
23 issued as amendments to this Citation, and shall be deemed effective upon issuance.
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25 Nothing in this Citation relieves the System of its obligation to meet the requirements
26 of the California Safe Drinking Water Act, or of any regulation, permit, standard, or
27 order issued or adopted thereunder.



1 All submittals required by this Citation shall be submitted to the Division at the
2 following address:

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4 Reese B. Crenshaw, P. E.
5 Valley District Engineer
6 State Water Resources Control Board
7 Division of Drinking Water
8 364 Knollcrest Dr. Suite 101
9 Redding, CA 96002
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11 **PARTIES BOUND**

12 This Citation shall apply to and be binding upon the System, its officers, directors,
13 shareholders, agents, employees, contractors, successors, and assignees.
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15 **SEVERABILITY**

16 The Directives of this Citation are severable, and the System shall comply with each
17 and every provision thereof, notwithstanding the effectiveness of any other provision.
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19 **FURTHER ENFORCEMENT ACTION**

20 The California SDWA authorizes the Division to: issue citation with assessment of
21 administrative penalties to a public water system for violation or continued violation of
22 the requirements of the California SDWA or any permit, regulation, permit or order
23 issued or adopted thereunder including, but not limited to, failure to correct a violation
24 identified in a citation or compliance order. The California SDWA also authorizes the
25 Division to take action to suspend or revoke a permit that has been issued to a public
26 water system if the system has violated applicable law or regulations or has failed to
27 comply with an order of the Division; and to petition the superior court to take various



1 enforcement measures against a public water system that has failed to comply with
2 violates an order of the Division. The Division does not waive any further enforcement
3 action by issuance of this citation.

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8 8/16/17

9 Date

R. Crenshaw

Reese B. Crenshaw, P.E.,

Valley District Engineer

Division of Drinking Water

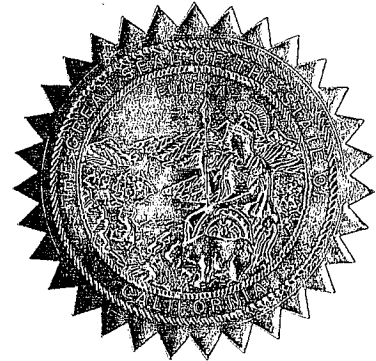
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15 Attachments:

16 Attachment A - Applicable Authorities

17 Attachment B - Public Notification Form

18 Attachment C - Proof of Notification Form



APPLICABLE AUTHORITIES

Section 116650 of the CHSC states in relevant part:

- (a) If the Department determines that a public water system is in violation of this chapter or any regulation, permit, standard, citation, or order issued or adopted thereunder, the department may issue a citation to the public water system. The citation shall be served upon the public water system personally or by certified mail. Service shall be deemed effective as of the date of personal service or the date of receipt of the certified mail. If a person to whom a citation is directed refuses to accept delivery of the certified mail, the date of service shall be deemed to be the date of mailing.*
- (b) Each citation shall be in writing and shall describe the nature of the violation or violations, including a reference to the statutory provision, standard, order, citation, permit, or regulation alleged to have been violated.*
- (c) A citation may specify a date for elimination or correction of the condition constituting the violation.*
- (d) A citation may include the assessment of a penalty as specified in subdivision (e).*
- (e) The department may assess a penalty in an amount not to exceed one thousand dollars (\$1,000) per day for each day that a violation occurred, and for each day that a violation continues to occur. A separate penalty may be assessed for each violation.*

Section 116701 of the CHSC states in relevant part:

Petitions to Orders and Decisions

- (a) Within 30 days of issuance of an order or decision issued by the deputy director under Article 8 (commencing with Section 116625) or Article 9 (commencing with Section 116650), an aggrieved person may petition the state board for reconsideration. Where the order or decision of the deputy director is issued after a hearing under Chapter 5 (commencing with Section 11500) of Part 1 of Division 3 of Title 2 of the Government Code, this section shall apply instead of Section 11521 of the Government Code.*
- (b) The petition shall include the name and address of the petitioner, a copy of the order or decision for which the petitioner seeks reconsideration, identification of the reason the petitioner alleges the issuance of the order was inappropriate or improper, the specific action the petitioner requests, and other information as the state board may prescribe. The petition shall be accompanied by a statement of points and authorities of the legal issues raised by the petition.*
- (c) The evidence before the state board shall consist of the record before the deputy director and any other relevant evidence that, in the judgment of the state board, should be considered to implement the policies of this chapter. The state board may, in its discretion, hold a hearing for receipt of additional evidence.*
- (d) The state board may refuse to reconsider the order or decision if the petition fails to raise substantial issues that are appropriate for review, may deny the petition upon a determination that the issuance of the order or decision was appropriate and proper, may set aside or modify the order or decision, or take other appropriate action. The state board's action pursuant to this subdivision shall constitute the state board's completion of its reconsideration.*

ATTACHMENT A

- (e) The state board, upon notice and hearing, if a hearing is held, may stay in whole or in part the effect of the order or decision of the deputy director.*
- (f) If an order of the deputy director is subject to reconsideration under this section, the filing of a petition for reconsideration is an administrative remedy that must be exhausted before filing a petition for writ of mandate under Section 116625 or 116700.*

Section 64426.1(b), Title 22, of the CCR states in relevant part:

- (b) A public water system is in violation of the total coliform maximum contaminant level (MCL) when any of the following occurs:*
 - (1) For a public water system which collects at least 40 samples per month, more than 5.0 percent of the samples collected during any month are total coliform-positive; or*
 - (2) For a public water system which collects fewer than 40 samples per month, more than one sample collected during any month is total coliform-positive; or*
 - (3) Any repeat sample is fecal coliform-positive or E. coli-positive;*
or,
 - (4) Any repeat sample following a fecal coliform-positive or E. coli-positive routine sample is total coliform-positive.*

Section 64424(a)(1), Title 22, of the CCR states in relevant part:

- (1) For a water supplier that normally collects one or fewer routine samples per month, a repeat sample set shall be at least four samples for each total coliform-positive sample.*

IMPORTANT INFORMATION ABOUT YOUR DRINKING WATER

Este informe contiene información muy importante sobre su agua potable.

Tradúzcalo o hable con alguien que lo entienda bien.

**RIVER RANCH CAMP DID NOT TO COLLECT ANY
CONFIRMATION BACTERIOLOGICAL SAMPLES FOR THE
MONTH OF JULY 2017**

Our water system recently violated a monitoring requirement. Although this is not an emergency, as our customers, you have a right to know what you should do, what happened, and what we did to correct this situation.

What should you do?

You do not need to boil the water or take any corrective actions. This is not an emergency. If you have health concerns, you may wish to consult your doctor. General guidelines on ways to lessen the risk of infection by microbes are available from EPA's Safe Drinking Water Hotline at (800) 426-4791.

What happened? What was done?

We are required to monitor your drinking water for specific contaminants on a regular basis. Results of regular monitoring are an indicator of whether or not your drinking water meets health standards. During the month of July 2017, we did not complete all bacteriological monitoring or testing and therefore, could not be sure of the quality of your drinking water during that time.

More specifically, as required by state and federal regulations, we failed to collect repeat (confirmation) samples in July of 2017 as a result of testing positive for total coliform bacteria from a routine sample taken in the distribution system. Both regulations require that public water systems notify their customers for monitoring violations.

We will be addressing these missed samples by taking 5 samples in August 2017.

For more information, please contact Jesus Acosta at 530-751-1049.

Please share this information with all the other people who drink this water, especially those who may not have received this notice directly. You can do this by posting this public notice in a public place or distributing copies by hand or mail.

State Water System ID#: 5105007.

Date distributed: _____.

CERTIFICATION OF COMPLETION OF PUBLIC NOTIFICATION

This form when completed and returned to the Division of Drinking Water (364 Knollcrest Drive, Suite 101, Redding, CA 96002 or fax to 530-224-4844), serves as certification that public notification to water users was completed as required by the State Water Resources Control Board. Completing public notification and providing the Division with certification is important. Failure to do so will result in additional hourly time charges to your water utility and may result in a formal enforcement action with monetary penalties.

Public Water System Name River Ranch Camp

Public Water System No. 5105007

Public notification for the July 2017 bacteriological monitoring failure was performed by the following method(s):

Check and Complete

- a) _____ Posting in conspicuous locations throughout the area served by the water system. Date posted: _____

I hereby certify that the above information is factual.

Printed Name _____

Signature _____

Date _____